

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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5 An effervescent compound is disclosed which includes a liquid ingredient, an
6 effervescent system and optionally a solvent. The solvent may be both hydrophilic and
7 have low solubility with effervescent ingredients. The solvent may include an alcohol, a
8 glycol or a glycol ether, for example, but not limited to, 2-butoxyethanol. The
9 effervescent system used in the effervescent compound may be, for example, but is not
10 limited to, expanded sodium perborate and/or a mixture of any or one or more of sodium
11 bicarbonate, sodium carbonate, potassium bicarbonate and potassium carbonate. The
12 effervescent compound may further include any one, or all, or any combination of the
13 following ingredients: surfactants, bleaching compositions, anti-redeposition agents,
14 binders, lubricants, colors, fragrances, and/or optical brighteners. Also disclosed is a
15 method for making an effervescent compound, including the steps of providing a solvent,
16 providing an effervescent system in powder form, and mixing the solvent with the
17 effervescent system, thereby producing a free-flowing effervescent compound. The
18 method disclosed may also include the steps of compressing the effervescent compound,
19 and then forming either granules or a tablet.